

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 1717 - HB 1678**

March 13, 2001

### **SUMMARY OF BILL:**

- Amends the definition of gambling to clarify that any type of casino gambling is illegal.
- Provides that a state lottery is not illegal if the constitutional amendment is passed and approved by the General Assembly.
- Provides that annual events conducted by 501c3 organizations that are approved by two-thirds of the legislature are legal.
- Clarifies that neither the state lottery nor annual charitable events can include casino gambling.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant**

**Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Not Significant**

Assumes that specifying that certain activities will be illegal under the gambling provisions will not result in significant additional misdemeanor convictions for gambling. Impact depends upon the number of persons convicted of this offense and the resulting increased cost to local governments to confine such persons versus the increased revenues to local governments from fines levied and collected under the provisions of this bill. Such impact is not estimated to be significant.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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